

Resources for Printers and Photography Professionals

Printers' National Environmental Assistance Center

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The PNEAC website provides a wealth of training information, technical assistance, and references related to "greening" your printing operation, whether your process includes digital printing, flexography, gravure, lithography, or screen printing. Feel free to contact Deb to discuss your pollution prevention and other environmental questions. The PNEAC offers on-site assessment consultations as well.

US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Printing Partnership Projects

<http://www.epa.gov/dfe/pubs/projects/printing.htm>

Illinois EPA – Pollution Prevention (P2) Checklists

<http://www.epa.state.il.us/p2/fact-sheets/p2-checklist.pdf>

(Checklist for printing and silk screening on page 8)

Tip: Silver Recovery

Using a silver recovery system keeps silver out of the wastewater stream. Silver is harmful to beneficial bacteria.

Resources for Refurbishing/Recycling Computers and Electronics

Digital Workforce Education Society

<http://digibridge.org>

Computers for Schools

<http://www.pcsforschools.org>

Chicago Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Recycling Center

<http://www.bluecartschicago.org>

(Click on "Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling" link on the left side of the page).

This center is specified for household, not business, use.

Tip: Battery Recycling

Walgreens stores and Chicago Public Library branches offer receptacles for battery recycling. Look for a clear plastic tube near the entrance.

Other Resources

Resource Center

<http://www.resourcecenterchicago.org>

We are a non-profit organization offering recycling collection services, including paper and cardboard, aluminum and steel cans, glass bottles, and plastic containers. We also operate other resource recovery and sustainability efforts, including the Perishable Food Recovery Program, the Creative Reuse Warehouse, and our flagship urban farm, City Farm.

Tip: Inkjet Refills

Most inkjet cartridges can be refilled at chain office supply stores and even some pharmacies.

Chicago Waste-to-Profit Network

<http://www.wastetoprofit.com>

The goal of the Chicago Waste to Profit Network is to promote business collaboration to find new ways of transforming business waste into more profitable and innovative uses.